CANNON NEWS

Francis Cannon VFW Post 7589 Manassas, Virginia July 2018



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Commander's Message



Comrades,

I am Wayne Moore, your newly installed Post Commander of VFW Post 7589. I am a retired Army/Navy (Mustang) veteran with 36 years of service.

Wayne Moore

Post Condolences in June

As the Post celebrated its' 72nd year of existence, we mourn the passing of two long term members. Charter Post Commander, Mr. John Gregory, was laid to rest on June 4, 2018. Our second life member was (Col) Richard D'Arcy, retired Army Chaplin whose farewell service was on June 23, 2018. May God's blessings be with them and their families during this time of sorrow.

2018 Annual VFW State Convention

The annual VFW Department convention took place in Portsmouth, Virginia from June 14-17, 2018. It was a learning experi-

ence for me. Post 7589 Quartermaster Rick Raskin was elected to the Senior Vice Commander position for 2018-19. Looking forward to his state commander leadership next year.

Volunteers for Post Activities

As we celebrate the fourth of July, I reflect with immense pride of the men and women who did what was necessary to bring about, enforce and protect the freedom of our country. The VFW organization is your proud heritage of service rendered and the sacrifices made. Its continued presence is vital to providing the necessary support to our veterans and ensuring our government does the right thing for us. Post 7589 is highly recognized at the Department level for its outstanding support to our veterans, and our community outreach.

However, sadly only 10-15 personnel (volunteers) cover the workload. Many of our WWII and Korean vets are no longer able to actively participate. We need to develop a strategy for recruiting and retaining Afghanistan, Desert Storm and Iraq veterans within our ranks. Understandably, most still have active lives of family and/or

work. It is important to explain the importance of the VFW in their future.

At our membership meeting on July 2, 2018, I proposed that our Post limits its participation in parades to three events per year; Memorial Day, 4th of July, and Veterans Day. These days specifically address veteran efforts, service recognition, and appreciation. In turn we must display an interest for our communities' willingness to recognize our sacrifice.

I am asking for your support to make the best of these three occasions to let our communities know we did our duty for country and those who dwell therein. Those of us who are capable and available to take part in any one or two of these events, your 3 (three) hours on those mornings will be appreciated.

Please call the Post for **specific/additional volunteer information on 703-361-5554 or http://vfw7589.org.**

There are many other community functions that we try to support. If you have the time and a desire to get involved please let us know.



Auxiliary President



Mary Corkhill

I would like to start off by saying "thank you" to the Post and Auxiliary members for all their support for the 2017-18 year. At the Department Convention in Portsmouth, VA, the

Auxiliary did very well in the different programs. The most important certificates came from National Veterans Military Support. At the Department level, we received certificates with monetary awards from Membership, Veteran & Family Support, Scholarship, and Legislative. Several Department Chairs presented certificates to the Auxiliary for participation. The Buddy Poppy Display placed first and will be taken to the National Convention in July. Congratulations to Ms. Catherine Henebery, from Seton School, who was the Department's first place winner in the Patriotic Art competition. Along with her receiving a certificate and monetary award, her art work was forwarded to National to compete with other Departments. You can view her art work along with other Departments on the National VFW Auxiliary Facebook.

The Department's School of Instruction will be held on August 11th at the John C. Culin Auxiliary 1827, Charlottesville, VA. Coffee and Danish will be served from 8:15 am-9:00 am, COA meeting will be from 9:00 am-10:45 am and the School of Instruction will be from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. There will be a break for lunch. There are a lot of changes for the coming year and new programs will be introduced.

VFW Post 7589 and Auxiliary will be hosting the 8th District meeting on August 19, 2017. Lunch will be served at 12:00 (Noon) and the joint meeting will begin at 1:00 pm. The Auxiliary will meet in the conference room after the joint session. I was informed that Fred Jennings, the de-

partment conductor will be our representative. Please joint us so you can meet him.

The incoming National President Sandi Kriebel's Homecoming Celebration will be September 6-9, 2018 in Hanover, MD. The 6th Annual Celebrating America's Freedom Event (CAFÉ) will be September 8, 2018 at Gettysburg National Military Park in Gettysburg, PA. Those attending the CAFÉ will leave by bus from Hanover to Gettysburg on the 6th and return on the same day. Please come and join in the fun.

The Fall Jubilee will be Saturday, October 6, 2018. The Post and Auxiliary will participate in this event and would like some assistance in providing the public with information about our organization along with giving out gifts for the children.

Once again our annual fundraiser with the not-for-profit Wreaths Across America (WAA) organization is underway. It provides us the opportunity to raise funds for our organization's needs and assists WAA in gathering sponsorships for the wreaths. As in years past, we work to place more wreaths on veterans' graves at Quantico National Cemetery. This year's event will be on December 15, 2018. We ask for your support because this is a major fundraiser. Sponsorships are \$15 per wreath and order forms are included with this newsletter. They can also can be printed from our website at www.vfw7589.org. or you can also contact Ginger Harvey at 571 -641-5350 or gch1130@aol.com. To learn more about WAA or to pay for your sponsorship with a credit card, please visit https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/ and remember to include our Sponsoring Group ID No. VA0040P and Cemetery ID No. VAQNCT. DEADLINE is November 30, 2018. Thank you in advance for your support.

Please keep the **DEADLINE** of October 31, 2018 on your calendrer for the following events: The Voice of Democracy with

the theme of "Why my Vote Matters", the Patriot's Pen theme "Why I Honor the American Flag" and the Smart/Maher National Citizenship Education Teacher Contest. The award will be presented at the Post on December 2, 2018 at 4:00 pm. Refreshments will be provided by the Auxiliary.

The mission of the National Home for Children is to provide families of veterans, active-duty military and members of the VFW and Auxiliary the opportunities for growth and development in a nurturing community. The family can be one or both parents with one or more children. Emotional wounds, financial stress, fractured family relationships, hopelessness and more can often be the outcome for families with a parent serving our country now or from earlier generations. The VFW Auxiliary is requesting you join as a Life Member to the National Home for Children for only \$35.00. Starting January 1, 2019 the Life Membership will increase to \$50.00.

Thank you for your assistance during last year collecting coupons for our veterans overseas. We finished the year with \$76,536.75. The donated coupons are good for six months after the expiration date. Please assist us with this task for our veterans and thank you so much for your support.

Please keep any individuals or family members who are ill or hospitalized in your prayers. We want to see you on the road to recovery.

Respectfully, Mary Corkhill Auxiliary President

Youth News & Notes



Lou Filippone

Greetings to all of you from the Youth Committee. Please let me update you on our current activities. Our last monthly meeting was held on 21 June at the Post home and was attended by Comrade Roger Nicol, former Post Commander

Peter MacLeod, Auxiliary President Mary Corkhill, and myself. The main topic of discussion was the Patriots Pen, Voice of Democracy, and Teacher of the Year contests which will soon be upon us. The theme for this year's Patriots Pen essay contest, for grades 6 - 8, is "Why I Honor the American Flag." The Voice of Democracy contest, which includes grades 9 - 12, has selected the theme of "Why My Vote Matters." The entry deadline for both contests is 31 October 2018. We are in the process of obtaining the applications and distributing them to the area schools in order to recruit applicants. If any Comrades know of school teachers in the local school system who might be willing to participate with us in these contests please contact any of the Youth Committee members. We will gladly make contact with these teachers and try and recruit their classes for these essay contests. In addition, we have the Young American Creative Patriotic Art Award contest. It is open to high school students from grades 9 - 12 and gives them an opportunity to express their patriotic views through art. In the past, VFW Auxiliary 7589 was honored to have three students advance to the national level. Virginia's winner last year placed eighth at the national level. The deadline for the art contest is 31 March 2019. It is never too early to start recruiting applicants.

Lastly, we have our Teacher of the Year contest where we recognize and award outstanding teachers from local area schools in three categories: Elementary School grades Kindergarten through 5; Middle School grades 6 – 8; High School grades 9 - 12. Let's not forget our Scout of the Year contest where we recognize and award an outstanding Eagle Scout in March of 2019. Please help us recruit for these contests as well. If any of you know of any school teachers or Eagle Scouts, deserving of recognition, please refer them to us, or enter them in our contest, and contact us as soon as possible for entry applications.

Other upcoming activities with the Youth Committee are as follows:

- The Civil Air Patrol Cadet award will be presented at the Manassas Armory, by Post 7589, on 17 July at 7 PM.
- We are planning a flag retirement ceremony this fall and spring with the

- local area Scouts. Dates and times will be released once they are available.
- The Manassas Fall Jubilee which is scheduled for Saturday, 6 October 2018 in Old Town Manassas allows our VFW and the Auxiliary to recruit members and to also reach out to the local area children. The Youth Committee hands out Halloween bags and other gifts during this festival to the children.

We are always looking for new members on the Youth Committee to help with these activities. Should any of you have an interest in helping please contact myself, or the other committee members, and we would be glad to include you in our activities. Nothing is more rewarding than helping the youth of our country by mentoring them and instilling in these students, cadets, and Scouts patriotism and American values. They are, after all, the future of this great country and deserve the attention and instruction we give them. Please join in fulfilling this mission. The next Youth Committee meeting will be held on 19 July 2018 at the Post at 7 PM. We would love to have you attend. Until next month, Comrades, please stay well and continue to support veterans and our youth through Post 7589 activities.

With best regards, Lou Filippone Youth Committee Chair

VFW Auxiliary 7589 Buddy Poppy Display 2017 – 18 wins 1st Place at State Convention



Light the Way for Our Veterans

A lighthouse is a structure that puts out a beam of light to help ships and boats to navigate and to mark coastlines and hazardous spots or entryways into harbors. At the same time, it is so much more. A lighthouse symbolizes the way forward and help in navigating our way through rough waters whether they are financial, personal, business or spiritual in nature. Our veterans face many challenges and nothing else speaks of safety and security in the face of adversity and challenge quite the way a lighthouse does. While a lighthouse can symbolize various things, it is most commonly used to symbolize a way forward and help in navigating through the world.

Charter Commander John Gregory passes away



John O. Gregory a lifelong resident of Maa veteran of WW II serving in the Coast Guard aboard the USCG Basswood. During WW II John was a Ouartermaster and one of his duties was steering the ship. He was at the helm during the famous Halsey typhoon which must have been a wild ride for a 180 ft ship. He saw action in Alaska and Okinawa. John left the Coast Guard after he and his ship saved lives in Hawaii after the April 1, 1946 tidal wave that sank ships and destroyed the coast line. John continued to serve his country as a Naval Reservist.

John came home and there were lots of ex-servicemen looking for jobs and a way to get back into the society they had defended. John is survived by two granddaughters and one grandson. He helped organize these men and formed the Manassas VFW Post 7589 and served 6 terms as their Commander.

In 1954, John founded the Gregory Construction Company, a Design-Build Firm. John designed and built over 2,000 projects since its founding that included elementary and high schools. He was very proud of having designed and built over 110 churches and religious buildings in Virginia and Maryland. His last church project won a national award for best design in 2014.

John had been very active in his community and in 1964, was one of the founders of Prince William Hospital. John served on the Board of Directors for many years. John was also co-founder and served on the Board of Security Bank, a home town bank in Manassas, which is now part of BB&T Banking System. He was also a co-founder of the Freedom Museum, as a means to honor his fellow veterans, particularly the men and women from Manassas, Manassas Park and Prince William County.



nassas passed away on June 3, 2018. He was In 1988, President George H.W. Bush invited John to the Oval Office. His comments to John were "You are a perfect example of the '1000 Points of Light' for your volunteer service". John dedicated his life to serving local, state, national and international causes of the Lions Clubs International. John was elected as International Director, serving three years. John was also awarded the highest honors of the Lions Club, the Melvin Jones Award for Service and the Ambassador of Good Will.

> John had been very active in the Republican Party. He served as Chairman of the City of Manassas Republican Party, Chairman of the Prince William County Republican Party and served on the State Central Committee.



John Gregory spoke of founding the Post at the Post's 70th anniversary celebration in June 2016.



John with Comrade Warren Ewell

State Convention—Portsmouth, Virginia — June 14 -17, 2018



Post 7589 All State Post Commander Pete MacLeod



State QM Kim DeShano presents the National Newsletter Award to Rick Raskin



Veterans and Family Support Chair Cheri Sizemore presents Mary Corkhill with the "Best Creative Event" award



Past Commander in Chief John Stroud



Mike Boehme, Ken Wiseman and Rick Raskin



Newly elected State Officers take the "Oath of Obligation"



Janet Raskin caps Rick Raskin as State Senior Vice Commander



New State Commander Ken Wiseman gives his inaugural address to the delegates



Part of Post 7589's delegation ready to go out to dinner



State Commander Ken Wiseman announces winners of the Bass Pro Shop raffle



View from the Renaissance Hotel of the Norfolk waterfront



Blue Water Navy Veterans Closer to Receiving Benefits

With a unanimous 382-0 vote in the House on [June 25], H.R. 299, the *Blue Water Navy Vietnam Veterans Act of 2017*, is closer than ever before to becoming law and finally providing Blue Water Navy veterans the benefits they have been denied for too long by VA's arbitrary and capricious regulations. The bill would also expand benefits to veterans exposed to Agent Orange while serving along the Korean DMZ and children born with spina bifida due to a parent's exposure during service in Thailand. It will also require VA to report on research being conducted on Gulf War Illness. The VFW calls on the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs to swiftly consider and pass this important legislation.

Senate Holds Hearing on Wilkie Nomination

On [June 27], DOD Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness Robert Wilkie testified before the Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs as part of his confirmation process to be the next secretary of Veterans Affairs. Wilkie discussed his military background and how he plans to work for veterans by walking the post and improving customer service at VA. Committee members asked Wilkie about several VFW priorities, such as expanding benefits to Blue Water Navy veterans; improving access to care by implementing the VFW-supported VA MISSION Act which includes ensuring veterans of all eras are eligible for caregiver benefits; and his plans to address staffing shortages. Wilkie was also given the opportunity to clarify reports about his past statements regarding the confederate flag and other issues.

Financial Readiness

In anticipation of July's "Month of the Military Consumer," the DOD Office of Financial Readiness has released three informational videos explaining how to better plan for retirement. Each video is approximately four minutes long, and provides an overview of the new blended retirement system, the Thrift Savings Plan and pointers on how to become more financially literate. Additionally, service members and their families are highly encouraged to meet with an accredited personal financial manager or financial counselor for free during the month of July at their local installation's Military and Family Support Center, or contact Military OneSource to schedule an appointment. Learn more about taking charge of your finances https://www.militaryconsumer.gov/ or view the videos at https://www.militaryconsumer.gov/ or view the videos at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCg0MPnnOV4wVimcGH1i-T8Q.

4. Kentuckian Receives Medal of Honor:

On [June 26], President Trump presented the Medal of Honor to the widow of Army 1st Lt. Garlin Murl Conner, a Kentucky farmer and World War II veteran, who on the morning of Jan. 24, 1945, ran alone toward an attacking battalion of German soldiers and Panzer tanks to direct American artillery fire. Conner, who died in 1998, enlisted in the Army in 1941 at the age of 21 and would go on to serve in 10 campaigns over 28 months on the front lines, to include Anzio, Italy, where he earned a battlefield commission. The Army credits him with four Silver Stars, a Bronze Star and three Purple Hearts. Few in his family or hometown knew about his wartime achievements because he never talked about it, and the campaign to get him the Medal of Honor didn't begin until a 1996 meeting with a former Army Green Beret from Wisconsin, Richard Chilton, who was conducting research on an uncle who died after the Anzio landing. Chilton is a life member of VFW Post 11279 in Twin Lakes.

Employment Hearing

On [June 26], the House Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing on veteran hiring and retention. The latest veteran unemployment number is 3.4%, which is lower than it has been in past years. However, unemployment numbers are sometimes cyclical and can be impacted by various factors that cause them to spike quickly. Major corporations, including Walmart, Dell, Starbucks and Prudential, along with Hiring Our Heroes, testified on how they attract and retain veteran hires and how those employees have strengthened their individual companies. The VFW is glad to see major industry leaders embracing veterans and their families in their hiring practices.



VETERAN SPOUSAL SUPPORT GROUP







Every 4th Tuesday of the Month Beginning July 24, 2018 6–8 PM

Fairfax DVS Office 9990 Fairfax Blvd, Suite 120, Fairfax, VA 22030

Spousal Support Groups are facilitated by veteran

family members and are designed to address the needs of veteran spouses and caregivers by providing a relaxed and confidential environment to share post-military and transition experiences with other spouses.

In a peer-to-peer format, group members strive to support one another in ongoing motivation and self-advocacy, and encouraging veteran families in their pursuit of wellness.

Questions? Contact Brittany Jones at 540-471-4804 or Brittany.Jones@dvs.virginia.gov

QM General explains Relief Funds use

Comrades.

Let me clarify how these funds are managed and used. First, the Emergency Relief Fund is restricted and will only be used to help veterans, service members and Posts affected by natural disasters. The support that we provide to Posts comes directly from the Emergency Relief Fund. We provided up to \$5,000 for each Post that was impacted to help cover any insurance deductible that they may have had to pay.

We also have a program called Un-Met Needs which is designed to help veterans and service member that are experiencing financial hardships. Un-Met Needs is typically used to help with mortgage, utilities, car payments, etc., but it was also used this past year to help with all of the veterans impacted by the natural disasters. Assistance to individuals for natural disasters is currently limited to \$300. However, the request for assistance from individual veterans was so overwhelming this past year, that it depleted most of our Un-Met Need funds, which would impact our ability to help those veterans experiencing the other financial difficulties. We therefore transferred some of the funds from the Emergency Relief Fund to cover part of the natural disaster related expenditures that were made from the Un-Met Needs program.

So all of the disbursements that were made from the Emergency Relief Fund were used to help Posts or veterans impacted by the disasters. So far this year, the total disbursed to help those Posts and veterans impacted by natural disasters has been \$676.512.

We don't move money around between line items in the budget. We also don't budget for emergency relief because there is no way to know what will occur each year. The funds collected and restricted for emergency relief are held until needed. ...

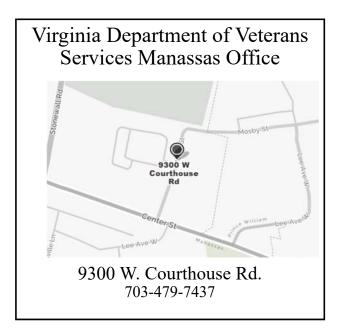
Respectfully,

Debra Anderson Quartermaster General Veterans of Foreign Wars CANNON NEWS July 2018 Page 9

Upcoming Events

	JULY				
July 2	Post & Auxiliary Meetings - 7:30 PM				
July 17	Civil Air Patrol Cadet Awards - Manassas Armory				
July 19	Youth Committee - 7:00 PM				
July 21-26	National Convention - Kansas City, MO				
	AUGUST				
August 6	Executive Meeting - 7:00 PM, Post & Auxiliary Meetings - 7:30 PM				
August 11	Auxiliary School of Instruction - Post 1827, Charlottesville - 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM				
August 16	Youth Committee - 7:00 PM				
August 19	District 8 School of Instruction & Meeting - SOI 9:00 AM, Lunch 12:00 PM, Meeting 1:00 PM				
	SEPTEMBER				
September 6-10	National President's Celebration and CAFÉ - Gettysburg, PA				
September 10	Executive Meeting - 7:00 PM, Post & Auxiliary Meetings - 7:30 PM				
September 11	9/11 Memorial Buddy Poppy Distribution - Auxiliary Event				
September 14	POW/MIA Ceremony with American Legion Post 10				
September 20	Youth Committee - 7:00 PM				
	OCTOBER				
October 1	Executive Meeting - 7:00 PM, Post & Auxiliary Meetings - 7:30 PM				
October 6	Manassas Fall Jubilee				
October 18	Youth Committee - 7:00 PM				
October 18-21	Southern Conference - Louisville, KY				
October 31	Voice of Democracy, Patriot's Pen and Teacher of the Year contests deadline				
	NOVEMBER				
November 3	Manassas Veteran's Parade				
November 5	Executive Meeting - 7:00 PM, Post & Auxiliary Meetings - 7:30 PM				
November 10-11	Veteran's Day Weekend Activities (Buddy Poppies)				
	Nov. 11 - Ceremony at Manassas Veteran's Memorial - 8:30 AM Flag Placements at Manassas Cemetery - 9:00 AM				
November 15	Youth Committee - 7:00 PM				
November 17	8th District Meeting - Post 3103, Fredericksburg - Lunch 12:00 Noon, Meeting 1:00 PM				
November 29	Auxiliary 7589's 20th Anniversary				
November 30	Deadline for Wreaths Across America orders				

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Scott Taylor	2nd District	202-225-4215					
Bobby Scott	3rd District	202-225-8351					
Donald McEachin	4th District	202-225-6365					
Tom Garrett	5th District	202-225-4711					
Robert Goodlatte	6th District	202-225-5431					
Dave Bratt	7th District	202-225-2815					
Don Beyer	8th District	202-225-4376					
Morgan Griffith	9th District	202-225-3861					
Barbara Comstock	10th District	202-225-5136					
Gerry Connolly	11th District	202-225-1492					





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WREATHS across AMERICA

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Wreath Sponsorship Form

Sponsored wreaths are placed on the grave markers at state, and national cemeteries as well as local cemeteries each December. Wreaths may be purchased online at www.WreathsArcossAmerica.org

If you wish to make your sponsorship with a credit card please visit our website for a secure online transaction.

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SPONSOR A WREATH FOR A VETERAN'S GRAVE

Since 2007, Wreaths Across America carries out its mission **REMEMBER** the fallen, **HONOR** those that serve and **TEACH** our children the value of **FREEDOM** in part by placing wreaths on veterans' graves during the holiday season.

The Francis Cannon Auxiliary to VFW Post 7589 is working with Wreaths Across America to help place more wreaths than ever before on Veterans' graves at Quantico National Cemetery. Deadline Date is November 30, 2018.

On **Saturday, December 15, 2018**, Wreaths Across America ceremonies will take place at over 1200 locations in the USA and beyond.

Sponsorships are \$15 each. We are participating because we think it is a great program and \$5 of every sponsorship will support the Francis Cannon Auxiliary to VFW Post 7589 directly so we may continue to assist veterans and families as well as our community.

PLEASE JOIN US -- All wreaths will be placed by volunteers on Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 12 Noon at Quantico National Cemetery. This is a moving experience that you should make part of your holiday tradition. With your help our local heroes will be remembered this Holiday Season. How many sponsorships can we count on you for?